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SUBJECT: WIPO: BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 2-4

REF: (A) GENEVA 1700; (B) GENEVA 3075

1. SUMMARY: THIS CABLE HIGHLIGHTS USG POSITIONS WHICH  
MISSION MAY USE PRIOR TO CONVENING OF SUBJECT MEETING  
TO COORDINATE WITH OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS. PARAS 2  
THRU 6 BELOW RESPOND TO POINTS CANADIANS REQUESTED WE  
MAKE ON THEIR BEHALF (REFTEL B). END SUMMARY.

2. DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROGRAM: RE CANADIAN POSITION  
2 (A) U.S. ALSO HAS RESERVATIONS RE FUNDING DEVELOPMENT  
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COOPERATION ACTIVITIES OUT OF REGULAR BUDGETS SPECIALIZED  
AGENCIES, BUT VIEWS WIPO LIMITED ACTIVITY AS AN EXCEPTION  
FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS NOTED IN ACTION MEMORANDUM FROM  
PAUL BOEKER APPROVED BY ROY MOREY ON AUGUST 16, 1976,  
INCLUDING FACT THAT MANDATE FOR SUCH ACTIVITY IS EXPRESSLY  
STATED IN WIPO CONVENTION TO WHICH U.S. IS A PARTY. U.S  
POSITION WILL EMPHASIZE THE VALUE OF COORDINATION OF UN

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMING AND WILL PRESS W/O TO PARTICIPATE IN COORDINATION MECHANISMS. RE CANADIAN QUESTION 2 (B) U.S. DEL MAY RAISE QUESTIONS IN CONTEXT THAT IT APPEARS TO US THAT THE

INCREASES ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE WIPO TRIENNIAL BUDGET ADOPTED AT THE FALL 1976 ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS (SEE WIPO DOCUMENT AB/VII/2). AS TO QUESTION IN (B) IT APPEARS TO U.S. THAT SOME VALUE IS ACHIEVED IN MERELY REINFORCING THE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY PROTECTION CONCEPT REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT A GIVEN FELLOWSHIP IS PART OF AN OVERALL PROGRAM FOR UPGRADING FACILITIES AND STANDARDS OF A GIVEN COUNTRY.

3. CONTRIBUTIONS: U.S. AGREES WITH CANADIAN POINTS 3(A) AND 3(B). U.S. DISAGREES WITH CANADIAN POINT 3(C) AND WILL OPPOSE EVEN MINIMAL GESTURE IN DIRECTION OF INTRODUCING CAPACITY TO PAY PRINCIPLE INTO WIPO. EXAMINATION OF THE PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTIONS OF OTHER BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS UNDER PRESENT WIPO CLASSES OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND UN SCALE WHICH INCLUDES CAPACITY TO PAY PRINCIPLE SUGGESTS MISSION MAY PERSUADE MOST MEMBERS TO ALSO OPPOSE OPENING OF THIS QUESTION.

4. FORMAT OF BUDGET DOCUMENT: RE CANADIAN POINT 4(A) U.S. WILL RAISE A NUMBER OF POINTS REGRETTING LACK OF BENCHMARKS OF ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURES (1975 BEING LAST YEAR FOR WHICH ACTUAL FIGURES AVAILABLE). INSTEAD 1978 BUDGETED ITEMS SHOULD BE COMPARED AGAINST 1977 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FIRST HALF YEAR FIGURES AND ACTUAL 1976 FIGURES, I.E., INFORMATION FROM THE WIPO MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR 1976 SHOULD BE INTRODUCED. U.S. WILL ALSO RAISE RELATIVE USELESSNESS OF COMPARISONS ON PAGES 5 THROUGH 9 BETWEEN TWO FUTURE BUDGETS TO THE SAME YEAR WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF RECENT ACTUAL EXPERIENCE BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENTS.

RE CANADIAN POINT 4 (B)  
U.S. AGREES THAT IF INCLUDED AT ALL IT SHOULD BE IN TABULAR FORMS BUT AS QUESTIONED IN (A) ABOVE: WHAT IS THE USE OF COMPARING TWO DIFFERENT BUDGETS FOR 1978 AGAINST EACH OTHER OR AGAINST A BUDGET FOR 1977 NONE OF WHICH ARE EVEN REMOTELY RELATED TO THE LEVEL OF EXPENDITURES OR INCOME EXPECTED I.E., ALL THREE BUDGETS CONTAIN BUDGETING ANOMALIES AND DISTORTIONS, AS COMMENTED ON ABOVE AND IN CANADIAN COMMENTS. THE DISTORTIONS AND ANOMALIES AMOUNT TO IN EXCESS OF 15 PERCENT OF SOME OF THE BUDGETS, AND THUS THE COMPARISONS

ARE MEANINGLESS. U.S. DEL DOES NOT PLAN TO RAISE CANADIAN POINTS (C) AND (D) BECAUSE ALTHOUGH THE COMMENTS ARE VALID, DETAIL IS NECESSITATED BY HAVING TO ASCERTAIN THE DEGREE OF PARTICIPATION OF SOME TEN DIFFERENT UNIONS IN THE COMMON EXPENSES.

5. STAFF CHANGES: RE CANADIAN POINT 5  
THE U.S. WILL QUESTION NEED AND OPPOSE ANY NEW POSITIONS IN LIGHT OF SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN MADRID UNION ACTIVITY WHICH SHOULD MORE THAN OFFSET ANY NEW POSITIONS NEEDED.

6. RE CANADIAN POINT 6  
THE OPPORTUNITY EXISTS THAT BY INSTITUTING ACCOUNTING ACCURACIES ALONE IN THE 1978 WIPO BUDGET AND WITHOUT IN ANY WAY JEOPARDIZING THE PROGRAM ACTIVITY, THE 1978 BUDGET COULD SHOW A DECREASE OVER THE 1977 BUDGET.  
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THIS WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE THE CREDIBILITY OF THE ORGANIZATION WITH ALL GOVERNMENTS AND IN PARTICULAR THEIR LEGISLATURES.

7. MAIN POINT THAT US WILL RAISE DURING MEETING  
DEALS WITH ATTEMPTING TO HAVE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE AMENDED BUDGET FOR 1978 TO BE PRESENTED TO THE FALL 1977 WIPO ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURES EXPECTED FOR 1978. AMONG INCOME ITEMS IT WOULD APPEAR THAT RENTAL OF A PORTION OF THE NEW BUILDING WAS OVERLOOKED AS WAS POSSIBILITY OF ACTUALLY REDUCING CONTRIBUTIONS IN KEEPING WITH GREATLY REDUCED EXPENDITURES. IN REGARD TO EXPENDITURES, ONE-TIME OCCURRING EXPENDITURES RELATED TO OCCUPANCY OF THE NEW BUILDING AND FOUND IN 1977 BUDGET SHOULD NOT BE REPEATED IN THE 1978 BUDGET; EXPENDITURES FOR RUNNING NEW BUILDING IN 1977 BUDGET SHOULD BE APPLIED AGAINST SAME COSTS IN 1978 BUDGET; AND ITEMS FOR WHICH PAYMENTS ARE NOT TO BE MADE IN 1978 SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN 1978 EXPENDITURES.

THE US DEL MAY RAISE QUESTION OF FURTHER AMENDING BUDGET SO THAT IT COMPLIES WITH WIPO FINANCIAL REGULATIONS CALLING FOR BUDGET TO ALSO BE EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS, IF MISSION OR DELEGATION EXPLORATION INDICATES THIS WOULD BE DESIRED BY MAJORITY OF BUDGET COMMITTEE DELEGATIONS.  
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